

2020 LAUREL HIGHLANDS

# *Inspiration Guide*

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ITINERARY IDEAS  
FOR YOUR VISIT TO PENNSYLVANIA







Discover group travel experiences found only in the Laurel Highlands!



## ONE-OF-A-KIND GROUP TRAVEL IN *Pennsylvania's Laurel Highlands!*

The Laurel Highlands encompasses more than 3,000 square miles of beautiful countryside in southwestern Pennsylvania. The region is home to charming small towns and cities, world-renowned attractions including the newly inscribed UNESCO World Heritage Site Frank Lloyd Wright's Fallingwater, historical sites such as the Flight 93 National Memorial, year-round resorts Nemacolin Woodlands Resort and Seven Springs Mountain Resort, and endless special events during every season, all while offering a wide variety of group-friendly lodging.







*Ready to plan? We're here to help!*

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## PENNSYLVANIA'S LAUREL HIGHLANDS

From local tips to the best travel routes and planning support to step-on guide service, I am your local group travel expert, ready to help every step (or mile) of the way!

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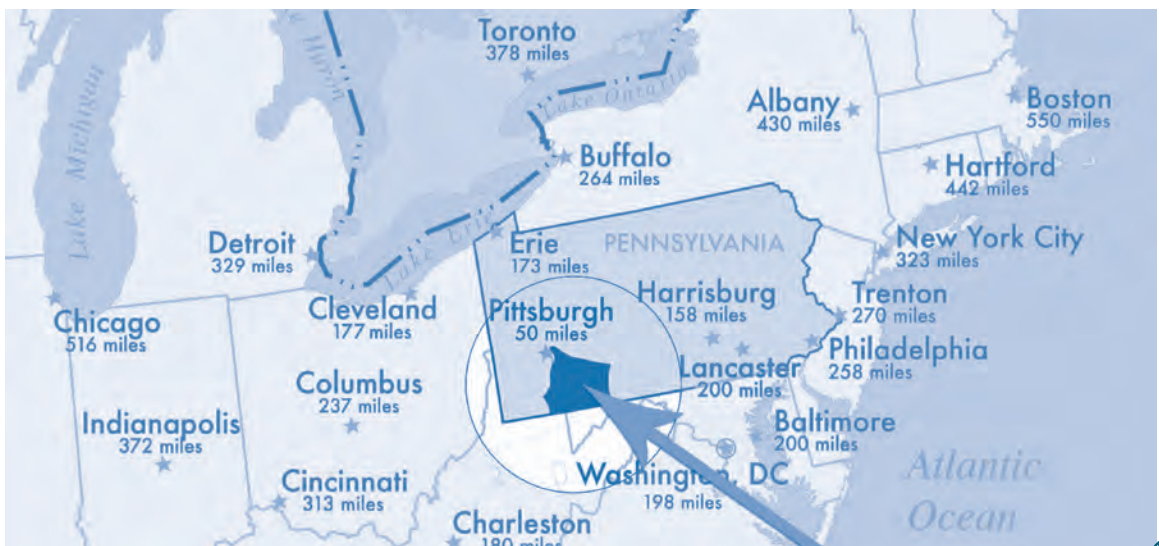
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The Laurel Highlands is filled with a variety of cozy places for your group to unwind and rest.

Contact Stacey to pair the perfect lodging option with your group's needs.







# WINTER WELLNESS: *A Nurturing Getaway*

3 DAY / 3 NIGHT



## WINTER WELLNESS: A NURTURING GETAWAY FOCUSED ON HEALTH AND WELLNESS

Winter isn't just for snuggles indoors, winter is also for wellness. Cozy up on-board and plan for an enriching, restorative journey through Pennsylvania's Laurel Highlands. This itinerary will keep your group fulfilled with peaceful moments, hands-on activities, lively experiences and inspiring workshops. This is the perfect way to feel good during the long, cold winter months!

### • DAY ONE •

- Set your mind and body free with an all levels yoga class with Wholehearter Yoga.
- Get creative with an on-trend Fluid Acrylics Workshop at Bottle Works Arts on Third Avenue.
- Enjoy dinner and wine tasting in the peaceful atmosphere at Green Gables.

### • DAY TWO •

- Begin your day with the wonder of winter! Enjoy a beginner snowshoe hike at Forbes State Forest. This fun event gets you outside and moving through a real life snow globe!
- Warm up and refuel with lunch at the Coal Miner's Cafe.
- Enjoy the rest of the day experiencing quaint and historic Uptown Somerset as it comes alive with ice sculptures, fireworks, live ice carving demonstrations, a chili cook-off, local brew tent, food trucks, live music and so much more.
- Enjoy dinner with your group at the cozy Pine Grill, located in downtown Somerset.



### • DAY THREE •

- Start your day at Seven Springs Mountain Resort with a rejuvenation retreat with Janet McKee of SanaView Farms.
- Spend the rest of this day on your own exploring your own path to happiness on-site at Seven Springs Mountain Resort. Select your activity of choice from snow tubing, downhill skiing and snowboarding, a spa treatment, horse-drawn sleigh ride or just relaxing around this spectacular winter wonderland.
- Gather back together for a special dinner at Helen's Restaurant on Seven Springs' property.







# MOONSHINE AND MAPLE: *A Tasty Tour*

2 DAY / 1 NIGHT



## SATISFY YOUR SEWEET TOOTH

Mountains of fun await on this tasty and historical 21+ educational tour! Sip and sample your way through the Laurel Highlands exploring the legacy of moonshiners and the local maple industry.

### • DAY ONE •

- Take in the fascinating stories of travel at the Compass Inn Museum, where groups can immerse themselves in the lore of 19th century travel and trade. Don't miss a sampling at the authentic stagecoach stop tavern.
- Kick back and enjoy the picturesque landscape as your group samples and learns about local maple syrup at the stunning mountain escape that is Oak Lodge.
- Enjoy a smorgasbord style lunch at Oakhurst Grille and Event Center, a once safe haven for whiskey lovers during Prohibition.
- Breathe in the fresh mountain air and take in the serene sights with a drive through Laurel Hill State Park. Enjoy a fun and informative presentation on local moonshiners at the park's Scenic View.
- Experience West Overton Village and Museum, an immersive experience into local history that shares distilling from seed to sip.
- Gently nestled along a mountain stream, this one time speakeasy, Nino's Restaurant, is the perfect group dinner escape.



## • DAY TWO •

- Explore the local stories of agriculture and homesteading at the Somerset Historical Center.
- Shine on with moonshine tastings and shopping at Tall Pines Distillery.
- Enjoy lunch in a peaceful setting at the Lodge at Indian Lake.
- Taste the legacy of maple with demonstrations, a hayride, tasting and shopping at Brantview Maple Farms.







# DIVINE *Design*

2 DAY / 1 NIGHT



## INSPIRATIONAL SITES THROUGHOUT THE REGION

Known for stunning scenery, significant history and unique connections to spirituality the Laurel Highlands offers this amazing two-day group-friendly tour. This tour includes stops at an exquisite basilica, driving along historic and scenic highways, visiting charming small towns, taking in awe-inspiring views and famous architecture. These exceptional sites truly have something to inspire everyone.

### • DAY ONE •

- Visit one of the oldest Benedictine Monasteries in the United States - Saint Vincent Basilica in Latrobe, PA. Since 1846, monks have gathered here to work, pray and serve others. Today, trained docents welcome groups to the stunning architecture and humbling holy site.
- Enjoy "history with a smile" at Compass Inn Museum. Dressed in 1830s period clothing, docents will lead you on an entertaining and informative tour through the original inn and three reconstructed outbuildings. Hear stories of transportation and life in the early 1800s while conveying word and phrase origins and keeping our history alive.
- Kick back and relax with on own dining and shopping in the lovely town of Ligonier. Featuring more than 60 specialty shoppes and named one of the most charming towns in America.
- Antiochian Heritage Museum & Library celebrates the artistic, cultural and spiritual heritage of the great city of Antioch. From richly inlaid wood furniture and hand-embroidered textiles to rare Bibles and icons that have served for centuries as windows into the heavenly realm, the onsite collections provide guests with unique opportunities for enrichment and exploration.
- Dinner will also be served at the stunning Antiochian Village and Conference Center with a menu of your choice and plenty of space to be flexible for groups of any size.



## • DAY TWO •

- Nestled within 150 acres of lush woodlands in the Laurel Highlands, Touchstone Center for Crafts is the perfect creative space for groups of all types. Offering programs of your choice from demonstrations to full service workshops, it is a stop that will inspire any traveler.
- Inspiration can be found during a walk to the Cross of Christ on the spacious grounds and the prayer garden at Jumonville Christian Camp and Retreat Center. After taking in the epic views and stunning cross feature, enjoy lunch in the retreat center. Be sure to leave time for an engaging team building activity!
- Tour Frank Lloyd Wright's Kentuck Knob, one of four Wright designed houses in the region. Serving up stunning views, an eclectic collection of Wright furniture from around the world, a serene sculpture garden and Hagan ice cream, this is a must-stop for any group tour!
- Take in your last moments of inspiration in the Laurel Highlands at Mount Saint Macrina. The original mansion was built for one of the leading and wealthiest coal baron's in the area, J.V. Thompson. Today this entire site has been dedicated to an active apostolic community. Explore the stunning grounds, exquisite architecture and the House of Prayer. Special treats await before your departure.







# LIGHT PEEPING *in the Laurel Highlands*

2 DAY / 2 NIGHT



## A MAGICAL, SPARKLING TOUR

During this time of year, the night comes alive with dazzling lights and cheer spread far and wide! Enjoy a different kind of peeping tour with holiday light peeping among warm candles glowing at historic sites, stunning light extravaganzas at famed resorts, mountains covered with snow and magical colors, dancing displays and crackling fires. There are so many ways to celebrate the season in Pennsylvania's Laurel Highlands!

### • DAY ONE •

- Celebrate three centuries of Christmas at Historic Hanna's Town! Discover how American Christmas traditions changed over three hundred years on this special holiday tour.
- The North Pole has confirmed that Ligonier is one of the most charming places to be this time of year! Enjoy shopping at lovely boutiques, photo ops at the dolled up Diamond Park, horse-drawn sleigh rides and delicious dining options in this beautiful small town.
- Enjoy a variety of holiday show options in this beautiful historic theater! The Palace Theatre is located in the heart of the cultural district in downtown Greensburg. Choose from a nearby restaurant for dinner and a show.
- Share the magic of the season as you sing carols around the bonfire, revel in the model train display, have your picture taken with Santa (in the days before Christmas). Or shop for gifts in the C. Edgar & Sons General Store in the traditional Christmas village at Overly's Country Christmas.
- Take in the glory of our highlands in the perfect seasonal setting at Seven Springs Mountain Resort. A variety of dining options, shopping and dazzling light displays highlight this lovely year-round resort.



## • DAY TWO •

- Cheers to bringing the cheer at Vinoski Winery! This gorgeous estate winery is serving up some of the region's finest wines.
- Bring your nice list to Neubauer's Market House! This stop will feature shopping options and a wreath making activity.
- Lunch is served in the comfort of this original inn along the National Road. The halls of the Stone House Restaurant will be decked out with seasonal charm and warmth!
- Light up the night at Nemacolin Woodlands Resort! The entire resort will be glowing and decorated with Christmas Cheer! Take in the wonder of the season with a light show, live entertainment, food and libations, twinkling lights, luminous installations, more than two million lights and a train ride that takes you through a tunnel of lights!





A photograph of a museum display case. Inside, there are several puppets, including a king, a queen, and a blue owl. A large black and white photo of Fred Rogers is also visible. A semi-transparent blue box with white text is overlaid on the center of the image.

# IT'S A BEAUTIFUL DAY: *A Mister Rogers Tour*

2 DAY / 1 NIGHT



## VISIT OUR NEIGHBORHOOD!

Let's make the most of this beautiful day! Pack your favorite sweater and sneakers as we welcome you on this friendly and educational tour. You'll experience the birthplace of Fred Rogers, sites and museums dedicated to his legacy, plus much more. As a bonus, don't miss a unique perspective for additional stops on this tour as inspired by the characters in the "Neighborhood of Make Believe."

### • DAY ONE •

- Welcome to our neighborhood! Enjoy your warm welcome to this tour at the Fred Rogers Center at Saint Vincent College. You will enjoy a screening of the show's first episode and unique exhibits highlighting the original sweaters, sneakers and puppets from this adored show.
- Visit the town of Latrobe, the hometown of Fred Rogers. You'll be among friends at the Latrobe Art Center where your group will enjoy lunch and a hands-on activity!
- Take a short stroll with your neighbors to the James H. Rogers Memorial Park to enjoy the sights and sounds of the community and take a group photo with the Fred Rogers statue.
- Enjoy an authentic Italian meal at DiSalvo's Station Restaurant - a beautifully restored historic train station.



## • DAY TWO •

- Begin the day honoring the legacy of Fred Rogers at Unity Chapel.
- Tour the Westmoreland Museum of American Art and work on a creative project with local youth!
- Enjoy a lunch complete with a smiley cookie at Eat'n Park Restaurant in Latrobe.
- Explore Storybook Forest, take a ride on the historic carousel and meet Daniel Tiger at Idlewild and SoakZone.
- "It's such a good feeling, a very good feeling" to know you have had such a fun time. We'll say "so long" with a local treat - a banana split party at the Ramada Ligonier.







# AUTUMN ARCHITECTURE: *A Wright-Inspired Leaf Peeping Tour*

3 DAY / 2 NIGHT



## IMPRESSIVE ARCHITECTURE AND STUNNING SCENERY

Brisk air, colorful views and exciting stops - these words describe this special experience in Pennsylvania's Laurel Highlands. Plan a tour to a new-restored Frank Lloyd Wright house, dine in the TreeTops Restaurant at Polymath Park, check off your travel bucket list at a UNESCO World Heritage site, take in spectacular views and enjoy delightful special events!

### • DAY ONE •

- Begin your tour with a cheers at Vinoski Winery, a grand estate winery and one of the newest wineries in the area!
- Visit Polymath Park, a fascinating architectural park that features two Wright apprentice houses along with two lovingly-restored houses: the Duncan House and the new Mäntylä house.
- Enjoy dinner in the colorful trees at TreeTops Restaurant, a tasty highlight onsite at Polymath Park.

### • DAY TWO •

- Take a moment for wellness at the gratitude, love and miracles workshop at Nemacolin Woodlands Resort's Holistic Healing Center.
- Immerse yourself in creativity with a blacksmithing workshop at Touchstone Center for Crafts, Pennsylvania's premier craft school nestled in the picturesque highlands.
- Enjoy a tasty lunch at Maywood Grill, famous for their delicious pastries and located along the historic National Road.
- Explore the wonder of nature at the dramatic and serene Frank Lloyd Wright's Kentuck Knob. Plan time to take in the spectacular view and a visit the impressive sculpture collection on the woodland grounds.



- Enjoy an evening at Pennsylvania's largest year-round resort, Seven Springs Mountain Resort. Pick an activity such as a chair-lift ride, horseback riding, shooting clays or a guided hike before dinner at The Grille at Sporting Clays.

### • DAY THREE •

- Explore the beautiful expanse of Ohiopyle State Park with a park naturalist. Visit iconic sites such as Cucumber Falls, Ferncliff Peninsula and the natural waterslides.
- Pull up a seat for lunch at the Ohiopyle House Café, serving a fresh menu highlighting local and fresh ingredients.
- Experience the recently designated UNESCO World Heritage site and masterpiece of Frank Lloyd Wright, the house cantilevered over a waterfall - Fallingwater. Enjoy a guided tour, but be sure to save time to walk the peaceful grounds to get a glimpse of the iconic view.







# THE MEN THAT *Made America*

4 DAY / 4 NIGHT

## FASCINATING HISTORY

Legendary and ahead of their time; this tour focuses on the sites, the stories and the people who made America. Experience national park sites, registered historic sites, the origins of legends and unbelievable history that has shaped the world as we know it. From whiskey and automobiles to Westward expansion and famous architecture, the Laurel Highlands is home to incredible history ready to be shared with every visitor.

### • DAY ONE •

- Begin your visit at the crossroads of local, regional and national history. Nemacolin Castle is also the site of the first meeting of the Whiskey Rebellion and is a must stop on this tour.
- Stop by the gorgeous Friendship Hill National Historic Site, the restored country estate of Albert Gallatin, who is best remembered for his 13 year tenure as Secretary of the Treasury during the Jefferson and Madison administrations.
- Enjoy lunch at the charming Connellsville Canteen which is home to a 25-by-50 foot HO Scale Model Railroad and World War II Museum.
- Visit West Overton Village, the birthplace of Henry Clay Frick, and make connections with the past in the Overholt homestead, museum, summer kitchen, carriage house, spring house and new distillery.
- Enjoy a very special dinner in an architecturally spectacular 1903-built Pennsylvania Railroad Station that is a nationally-registered historic landmark, DiSalvo's Station Restaurant.

### • DAY TWO •

- Explore the western campaign of the Revolutionary War at Historic Hanna's Town. In 1782, Hanna's Town was attacked and burned by Native Americans and their British allies in one of the final conflicts of the Revolutionary War. The town never recovered, but the site's subsequent conversion to farmland in the early 1800s preserved it as an archaeological time capsule of 1770 frontier colonial life.
- The Lincoln Highway Experience checks all the boxes for a Lincoln Highway visit to the 1930s and early 40s. Don't miss discovering the history of travel, a slice of pie in the restored 1930s diner and interactive displays at this wonderful experience!



- Enjoy lunch and shopping in charming Ligonier, a stunning and historic town with more than 60 specialty shoppes and restaurants.
- Journey back to the 18th century and discover Fort Ligonier. The Fort Ligonier Museum includes the French and Indian War Art Gallery with 14 original paintings, the outstanding George Washington Collection featuring his saddle pistols and memoirs and more than 200 original 18th century objects from around the world.
- Learn about the history of coal mining and the miraculous story of 9 for 9 at Quecreek Mine Rescue Site. An official PA State Historical site, this is the location where, in July 2002, nine miners were rescued from 240 feet beneath the Earth in a never-before-attempted effort.
- Enjoy dinner in the historic Oakhurst Grille and Event Center which offers dining options from the classic Smorgasbord to the new American fare menu.

### • DAY THREE •

- Visit the Allegheny Portage Railroad National Historic Site, where traces of the first railroad crossing of the Allegheny Mountains are preserved.
- Get hands-on in the name of history with a “make it and take it” activity at Bottle Works Arts on Third Avenue.
- Experience life as an immigrant at the Heritage Discovery Center. The center features several attractions including “America: Through Immigrant Eyes” and the Iron & Steel Gallery. Prior to your tour, your group will enjoy a traditional lunch served onsite.
- Plan a stop at the Johnstown Flood National Memorial, which includes the remnants of the South Fork Dam and the restored Unger House which are all important in the story of the Great Johnstown Flood of 1889.
- Take in fantastic views with a ride on the Johnstown Inclined Plane. Constructed after the first flood on May 31, 1889, the Incline was built to develop higher ground.
- Enjoy dinner atop the Inclined Plane at Asiago's Tuscan Italian Restaurant.

### • DAY FOUR •

- Experience Fallingwater, one of Frank Lloyd Wright's most widely acclaimed works and recently designated UNESCO World Heritage Site. Designed in 1935 and dramatically cantilevered over a waterfall, the house exemplifies Wright's concept of organic architecture: the harmonious union of art and nature.
- Visit Pennsylvania's largest state park, Ohiopyle State Park, with a stop at the Laurel Highlands Falls Area Visitors Center which offers fantastic views of Ohiopyle Falls, a catalyst for important historic events.
- Dine in style at one of the last remaining grand porch hotels in the country, the Summit Inn Resort. Once a famed stop for the iconic Vagabonds: Thomas Edison, Henry Ford, Harvey Firestone and John Burroughs, this site is loaded with history and epic views.
- Visit the site of young George Washington's first military engagement and the battle that marks the beginning of the French and Indian War, Fort Necessity National Battlefield.







ROAD TRIP ON 119:  
*A Progressive  
Tour*  
4 DAY / 3 NIGHT

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## STOPS ALONG THE EASY-TO-TRAVEL ROADWAY

Dig in to the roots of Route 119 in the Laurel Highlands. This easy-to-travel roadway links together important historic sites, charming towns, exciting experiences and gorgeous countryside. Load up and get ready for a road trip through the Laurel Highlands!

### • DAY ONE •

- Begin your journey at the southern end of Route 119 at Friendship Hill National Historic Site, a stunning historic estate once home to U.S. Secretary of Treasury Albert Gallatin.
- An important spur off of your tract includes the National Road. This route serves as a scenic gateway to the mountain areas of the Laurel Highlands and grants access to notable sites such as Frank Lloyd Wright's Fallingwater and Kentuck Knob, Ohiopyle State Park, Fort Necessity National Battlefield and many other significant sites. Choose your experience for the day and be sure to take advantage of the many group-friendly dining locations for lunch.
- As you wind back down to the foothills of the Allegheny Front, enjoy a stately stop at Mount Saint Macrina. A present-day monastery that features a unique history and glorious grounds.
- Grab your seats for a delicious dining experience at Caporella's Italian Ristorante.
- Enjoy an evening of entertainment at The State Theatre Center for the Arts located in downtown Uniontown. Be sure to take a moment to take in the architecture and wonderful local history.

### • DAY TWO •

- Rise and shine with refreshments and fascinating exhibits at the Connellsville Canteen.
- Explore the birthplace of Henry Frick, the Distillery Museum, Spring House and blooming gardens at West Overton Village and Museum.



- Plan a stop in pleasant Mount Pleasant, a sweet town loaded with great restaurants, shopping and charming parks!
- Sip and shop under the hundred-year-old trees at Bella Terra Vineyards, one of the newest wineries in the area!
- There's always room for more! Enjoy mid-day treats and more wonderful wine at the beautiful Greendance – The Winery at Sandhill. If you've had enough of the wine sampling, enjoy berry picking and the wonderful ambiance of the grounds.
- Take advantage of great deals while shopping at the local Lenox Outlet!
- Wind down from your day nestled among the mountain laurel and trickling streams at the garden themed Nino's Restaurant.

### • DAY THREE •

- Fuel your day with modern coffee and fresh, locally-sourced baked goods at Stanton Daily Grind.
- Regale the significance of the area with a guided tour of Historic Hanna's Town. This reconstructed frontier settlement describes daily life and events in western Pennsylvania during the American Revolution.
- Built to inspire and engage, The Westmoreland Museum of American Art is a place for people from all corners of the world to gather and experience American art.
- Enjoy on own time shopping and dining in bustling downtown Greensburg. With walking access from the Westmoreland Museum, enjoy some free time to wander and explore!
- Be sure to stop in for a peek at the lovely Palace Theatre or take in another show if you can't get enough of the area's notable entertainment schedule.

### • DAY FOUR •

- Discover the military tactics that decided the fate of the Pennsylvania frontier in 1763 during the Native American uprising known as Pontiac's War at Bushy Run Battlefield.
- A local favorite, Rizzo's Malabar Inn will take you back to the old country with flavors, décor and a warm greeting.
- Wander in one of the area's eight state parks. Keystone State Park, which will bid you the perfect farewell with picturesque views, wildlife and an opportunity to stretch your legs before your journey home.







VIN DE MATRIX  
—WINERY—

## VINE AND BLOOMS: *A Vines and Garden Tour*

3 DAY / 2 NIGHT

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### WONDER AROUND EVERY TURN

Take in the relaxation and beauty of garden settings while sipping wine, enjoying local entertainment, charming small towns and a world class resort - all while traversing along scenic byways as your route between stops in the beautiful Laurel Highlands!

#### • DAY ONE •

- Explore the history and beauty of legacy gardens at West Overton Village and Museum, a partially restored industrial village, museum and homestead. Be sure sip at the new distillery!
- Kick back and sample the fruit of the vine at Greendance - The Winery at Sandhill. A stunning countryside setting, live music, wonderful shopping and sweet treats fresh from the bakery await at this fun stop!
- Charming towns lining historic highways and scenic byways are the essence of the region. Plan a stop in Ligonier for on own shopping and lunch at more than 60 specialty shoppes and restaurants!
- Slow down and explore the beautiful gardens, sculptures and art that capture the culture of mountain living at Southern Alleghenies Museum of Art at Ligonier Valley.
- Shop and reminisce at The Old General Store in Donegal. This nostalgic stop has something for everyone!
- Enjoy dinner and drinks nestled among mountain streams and lush rhododendron at Nino's Restaurant.

#### • DAY TWO •

- Maybe you have been inspired by the gardens of yesterday's visit. Well then this stop is perfect to pick up goods to take home with you. Enjoy shopping and inspiration at Baker's Home & Garden Center.
- Next up, a visit to Rockwood Mill Shoppes and Opera House includes shopping, live entertainment and a delicious lunch.



- Take in the countryside at this historic covered bridge - King's Covered Bridge. This is a great photo opportunity and great stop for any group!
- There is always time to sip and sample at Vin De Matrix Winery, a fun and laid-back winery with an outstanding tasting room and hospitality galore!
- Enjoy dinner in one of the most unique dining settings around. Green Gables Restaurant offers top notch wine tasting options and an eclectic atmosphere with views of a serene lake.

### • DAY THREE •

- Let your creative juices flow at Touchstone Center for Crafts. Create a garden stepping stone to take home and plant in your own space!
- Prepare to be in awe of the design and story of this incredible architectural piece, Frank Lloyd Wright's Kentuck Knob is a true gem with delightful surprises around every corner!
- Enjoy lunch and an art tour at Nemaquin Woodlands Resort, a Forbes Five-Star, AAA Five-Diamond Resort and named Condé Nast Traveler Readers' Choice Awards: Top Resort.







SPRINKLES, SHOPPING AND SCENERY:

## *An Ice Cream Tour*

3 DAY / 2 NIGHT

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### THE SWEETEST TOUR OF THEM ALL!

One scoop, two scoop! What pairs better with fun travel plans than everyone's favorite tasty treat? Pennsylvania's Laurel Highlands is home to the banana split and also boasts as many fantastic ice cream parlors and unique flavors as there are wonderful sites to visit throughout the region. Plan your fun group getaway today and enjoy all of the scoops and sprinkles that your heart desires!

#### • DAY ONE •

- Enjoy a banana split reception at the Latrobe Art Center! Learn all about the history of this classic dessert while enjoying banana splits and other sweet treats.
- The perfect stop for kids at heart, Idlewild & SoakZone has been named "Best Kids' Park in the World" by Amusement Today for years! Enjoy vintage rides, including an antique carousel, delicious goods and a natural setting.
- Shop 'til you drop at more than 60 specialty shoppes in Ligonier. Take some time for on own lunch and, you guessed it, a scoop of ice cream at the Ligonier Creamery!
- Step out on the wild side with a visit to Living Treasures Wild Animal Park. Feed the animals and enjoy learning through unique and immersive interactions at this fun park!
- Slow down or ramp it up with activities of your choice including: the Trillium Spa, zip lining, the Alpine Slide, horseback riding and more at Seven Springs Mountain Resort.

#### • DAY TWO •

- Take a zip around the speedway and enjoy learning about the fascinating sport of stock car racing at Jennerstown Speedway.
- Stay on trend with a treat at Molly's Ice Cream and kick back and relax with a game of mini golf!



- Entertainment, a delicious lunch and more ice cream await at the Rockwood Mill Shoppes & Opera House.
- Named 2019's Pennsylvania Park of the Year, Laurel Hill State Park is a scenic wonder offering a variety of activities and ways to take in the great outdoors.
- Check in and plan out your activities of choice from art tours, adrenaline-packed activities or try your luck at Lady Luck Casino onsite at Nemacolin Woodlands Resort.

### • DAY THREE •

- Tour one of four architectural wonders in the area at Frank Lloyd Wright's Kentuck Knob, which boasts fabulous views, impressive art collections and Hagan ice cream served in their beautifully stocked gift shop!
- Marvel at the rush of water along the Youghiogheny River at Ohiopyle State Park. Visit the Laurel Highlands Falls Area Visitors Center and explore the heritage and natural wonders of the region.
- Before you depart Ohiopyle, stop for a homestyle lunch at Falls Market Restaurant and General Store. Wash it down with a scoop or two before you hit the road!







# SCENIC BYWAYS AND *Historic Highways*

7 DAY / 6 NIGHT

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## GONE ROAD TRIPPIN'!

On the road again! Designed to go the distance or to customize as a day or two to explore the beauty, history, culture and off-the-beaten path sites of Pennsylvania's Laurel Highlands in a fun and immersive road trip. With more than 70 miles of scenic byway and two historic highways, this road trip weaves throughout the entire region with stops at national park sites, a UNESCO World Heritage site, state parks, beautiful mountain lodges and historic barns with each stop telling an authentic story that is unique to the Laurel Highlands.

### • DAY ONE •

- This road trip kicks off with a stop at the one and only Big Mac Museum. Located along the Lincoln Highway this kitschy neighborhood McDonald's highlights the international fame that comes along with serving this famous sandwich.
- Take time for the arts at The Westmoreland Museum of American Art. This classic museum features acclaimed works of art and the perfect setting for dinner before your evening out at the local theatre.
- Entertainment for dessert is always the right decision! Enjoy a show of your choice at The Palace Theatre, a historic site located in the cultural district of downtown Greensburg.

### • DAY TWO •

- Explore life on the Pennsylvania frontier during the American Revolution at Historic Hanna's Town. The site consists of the reconstructed Hanna's Tavern, three relocated historic log houses, a reconstructed Revolutionary War era fort and a wagon shed that houses an authentic late 18th century Conestoga wagon. Additionally, the site is home to the Westmoreland Historical Society's new Westmoreland History Education Center.
- Visit Saint Vincent College, home of the Pittsburgh Steelers Training Camp, the stunning Saint Vincent Basilica and the Fred Rogers Center. Pay a visit to see unique displays featuring everyone's favorite neighbor, Fred Rogers.
- Enjoy lunch and a hands-on activity at the Latrobe Art Center. Stretch your legs on a short stroll to the Fred Rogers statue and snap the perfect group photo!
- Visit the Lincoln Highway Experience, a museum space dedicated to the history of travel along the Lincoln Highway. Save time for pie and ice cream in the 1938 restored Serro's Diner!



- Journey back to the 18th century and discover Fort Ligonier, a reconstructed and restored French and Indian War fort nestled in the historic Laurel Highlands. View a classic collection of artwork and the priceless saddle pistols once held by General George Washington.
- Named one of the most charming towns in America, shop on your own while exploring the historic district of Ligonier which features 60 specialty shoppes and restaurants.
- Dinner is served at the beautiful Antiochian Village. Enjoy the views of the countryside while relishing a beautifully catered meal onsite.

### • DAY THREE •

- Enjoy "history with a smile" at Compass Inn Museum. Dressed in 1830s period clothing, docents will lead you on an entertaining and informative tour through the original inn and three reconstructed outbuildings. They will tell stories of transportation and life in the early 1800s while conveying word and phrase origins that keep our history alive.
- Pie is served at The Pie Shoppe! This classic stop located along the Lincoln Highway has been serving up goodies and homemade food since 1947.
- Roll the wheels around the speedway at the Jennerstown Speedway. Learn about this exciting sport and even take a moment to sit in a real race car! You'll be waving the checkered flags as you enjoy this stop.
- Enjoy a homestyle lunch at the Coal Miner's Café, a local favorite dressed with unique decorations dedicated to the heroes of Flight 93 and the Quecreek miners.
- Honor the passengers and crew at Flight 93 National Memorial. Listen to the harrowing history and pay respects during this powerful stop.
- Learn about the local history of coal mining and the miraculous rescue of nine miners at the Quecreek Mine Rescue Site.
- Refuel after a busy day in the garden setting at Green Gables before your evening of entertainment of your choice at the beautiful Mountain Playhouse.

### • DAY FOUR •

- Discover the history of agriculture, maple syrup and more at the Somerset Historical Center. This 150-acre rural history museum preserves the history of life in southwestern Pennsylvania from the region's first farmers to the present day through exhibits, workshops and educational programs.
- Enjoy a visit in this sleepy railroad town with shopping and lunch served in a historic feed mill at the Rockwood Mill Shoppes and Opera House.







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- Visit the first tollhouse that travelers encountered while on the National Road heading west into Pennsylvania. Petersburg Tollhouse is a local gem highlighting the significant history of travel in the area.
  - Expect the unexpected at this Five-Diamond and Five-Star rated resort. Enjoy an evening of dining on own and lodging at the unforgettable Nemacolin Woodlands Resort.

#### • DAY FIVE •

- Visit the site of young George Washington's first military engagement and the battle that marks the beginning of the French and Indian War. Fort Necessity National Battlefield is an official national park site and offers a unique perspective into history with a museum, historic grounds, including the fort itself, and Washington's Tavern.
- Paint and sip at Christian W. Klay Winery. This historic farm features an amazing atmosphere and great views! Also, did we mention wine?
- Lunch is served at the historic Stone House Restaurant and Inn. Offering one of the best dining experiences in the region the Stone House can cater to any group size and delight even the most developed palate. Enjoy!
- Explore the infusion of nature and art at Frank Lloyd Wright's Kentuck Knob. Nestled high atop a knob overlooking thousands of acres of pristine forest, this stop is sure to impress any traveler.
- Get creative with an activity or demonstration of your choice at Touchstone Center for Crafts. Choose from blacksmithing, glass working, ceramics, jewelry making and more!
- Enjoy dinner with a view at the iconic Summit Inn Resort. Explore even more lore of historic travelers and take in the stunning landscape from this historic hotel.



#### • DAY SIX •

- Flat Iron Building Heritage Center is located in historic Brownsville along the National Road. Explore the amazing history and unique space at this complimentary stop.
- Standing at the crossroads of history Nemacolin Castle is an incredible example of the evolution of homesteads throughout history. A significant site during the Whiskey Rebellion and throughout time, the stunning architecture, furnishings and family stories are not to be missed.
- Next stop is a coal baron's mansion turned monastery. Mount Saint Macrina is a unique stop that highlights the history of the region, detailed architecture and a beautiful legacy.
- Take in the roars of rushing waterfalls, beautiful native scenery and the smallest town in our region at Ohiopyle State Park.
- Tour the newest UNESCO World Heritage site - Frank Lloyd Wright's Fallingwater. Known as the most famous house in America, this is a must-see stop for every visitor.
- Enjoy a farm-to-table dinner in a historic barn at SanaView Farms. Round out your day with a bonfire and social time in the picture perfect scenery.

#### • DAY SEVEN •

- Visit the newest Frank Lloyd Wright house in the Laurel Highlands, Mäntylä at Polymath Park. Also onsite is Wright's Duncan House and two houses designed by Wright's apprentice Peter Berndston.
- Enjoying shopping and classic remedies at a local dairy farm, Moo Echo Dairy.
- Cheers to wine sampling with a view at the serene Glades Pike Winery.
- Lunch is served at Pennsylvania's largest four season resort, Seven Springs Mountain Resort. Select an adventure of your choice from a scenic chairlift ride, horseback riding, zip lining, sporting clays or relaxing at the spa!
- Take a walk on the wild side with unique and immersive animal encounters at Living Treasures Wild Animal Park.
- Stock up on your penny candy at the Old General Store in Donegal. This on own shopping stop will whisk you back in time with nostalgic goods and even a bakery next door!
- As your last stop, this country estate highlights the beauty and charm of the entire region from beautiful scenery, to locally-produced maple syrup in a gorgeous atmosphere. Oak Lodge serves up fantastic food in a one-of-a kind mountain escape.







## SPIRITS AND SPIRITS: *A Chilling Take on the Laurel Highlands Pour Tour* 3 DAY / 3 NIGHT

### RAISE YOUR GLASS...IF YOU DARE...

Fall is the perfect season to pair spooky stops with sensational samples of beer, wine, ciders and shine. Considered the number one beer producer in the country, Pennsylvania's brew trails have now expanded into the Laurel Highlands with endless opportunities to taste and travel on the Laurel Highlands Pour Tour. Tour along with a group of friends on this mysterious excursion featuring libations, exquisite views, fall fun and a few haunts to boot!

#### • DAY ONE •

- Kick off your spooky sipping tour with a stop at Voodoo Brewery. This spellbinding location in New Kensington features great food and a line of beers that are fun, flavorful and thought-provoking.
- Fury Brewing Company serves up tasty microbrews with a local flare. Enjoy food from neighboring restaurant Inferno or just kick back and play a game while tasting these delicious brews.
- The perfect stop for fall fun! Arrowhead Wine Cellars at Schramm Farms & Orchards features farm fresh produce and great wines in a beautiful country setting. Don't miss their annual Fall Festival hosted every October.
- Grab a bite to eat at local eatery Sun Dawg Café. Known for their delicious fare and friendly atmosphere, enjoy a bite to eat in the heart of the cultural district in downtown Greensburg.
- Just a short walk from your lunch spot with several missions to choose from, challenge yourself to immersive fun at 60 Minute Missions Escape Room!
- Order up flavorful blends like a peanut butter milk stout at Invisible Man Brewing, one of the newest breweries in the region.
- Wrap up your day with wood-fired pizza or other gourmet menu items at Tapped Brick Oven & Pour House, which has 30 beers on draft. Feel free to continue to taste into the evening!



### • DAY TWO •


- A soulful stop to start your day, All Saints Craft Brewing Company features an exceptional variety of handcrafted brews to please any beer drinking aficionado!
- As you ramble through the region, take a break to visit the notorious site of the Kecksburg UFO monument. This is an out-of-this-world stop for a selfie or group photo opportunity!
- There is no better place to enjoy lunch in the foothills of our ridges than Nino's Restaurant. Nestled among rhododendron groves and a lush garden setting, the delicious menu and historic atmosphere is intriguing!
- Helltown Brewing serves up seriously tasty brews at their laidback taproom tucked away in Mount Pleasant, a town once known as Helltown due to industry and incidence throughout history.
- What is a tattiebogle? Something that goes bump in the night? You'll have to visit to find out. Tattiebogle Ciderworks is located along the mysterious Chestnut Ridge and serves up modern ciders cultivated from their heirloom trees and select Pennsylvania orchards.
- Après a big day out, you've earned a delectable dinner. Tonight's feast is served at Out of the Fire Café which boasts awesome views of the highlands and a menu so good you may want to plan to return for their infamous Sunday brunch. Did we mention the Bloody Mary Bar?
- Step into the Rockwood Mill Shoppes after dark and investigate paranormal activity in this treasure trove of history with a past as a feed mill and entertainment hub in a rural railroad town. A few ghostly characters that have stuck around.

### • DAY THREE •

- Tap into the local maple industry at Brantview Farms Maple, an eighth generation maple sugar camp. A guided tour will share the process and history of maple production and there are plenty of ways to taste and take home these awesome flavors!
- The highlands have a rich history in moonshine with back mountain bootleggers and stills. Tall Pines Distillery is the first legal moonshine distillery in Somerset County since Prohibition. Enjoy old fashioned recipes in their beautiful tasting room!
- Continue down the road to the Morguen Toole Company, a once morgue and hardware shop turned hostel and restaurant! Enjoy dinner, billiards and maybe a few ghostly encounters!
- Serving wines inspired by the stars, Vin De Matrix Winery and their charming tasting room and winery is the perfect place to waste away a day in any season.
- This wouldn't be a spooky getaway without a stop at a haunted house. But this is not just any haunted house. Haunted Hollow offers five haunted experiences including an escape room, asylum, haunted hayride and cornfield. Watch out for Mad Mae, the evil landlady who runs the show!







## FALL FOLIAGE AND FESTIVALS: *A Colorful Tour in the Laurel Highlands* 3 DAY / 2 NIGHT

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### A LEAF PEEPER'S PARADISE

It's officially sweater weather in Pennsylvania's Laurel Highlands! Our mountains and valleys are sprinkled with colorful fall foliage and the scents of the season are filling the air! Enjoy this multi-day tour while visiting architectural wonders, significant historic sites and beautiful mountain retreats.

#### • DAY ONE •

- Begin your leaf peeping journey at the Laurel Highlands Falls Area Visitors Center in Ohiopyle State Park. This beautiful welcome center located along the falls of the Youghiogheny River offers a wonderful overview of the entire area, local history and fantastic views of this impressive site. Plan ahead with extra time to enjoy a local favorite - the Ohiopyle Fall Buckwheat Supper!
- With sweeping views and stunning architecture a visit to Frank Lloyd Wright's Kentuck Knob is a must-do in fall months! We hope you saved room from lunch for a taste of Hagan ice cream after your tour!
- Gorgeous grounds and a historic barn make for the perfect backdrop to your wine tasting at Christian W. Klay Winery. Enjoy a hayride and views of three states from the vineyards! This pleasant stop is sure to please!
- Experience a private dining experience in the 1800s barn onsite at the Inne at Watson's Choice. After you indulge, kick back and enjoy a bonfire and the brisk fall air!



## • DAY TWO •

- Tour West Overton Village and Museum to experience the process of whiskey distilling on hallowed ground, explore the historic gardens and homestead at this impressive site!
- Experience a place where nature, art and delectable dining is infused among towering trees at Frank Lloyd Wright's Polymath Park. Featuring two Wright designs that have been moved and restored in the area, two apprentice houses and the award-winning TreeTops Restaurant.
- Family-friendly fun abounds every weekend from the end of September through October at Autumnfest at Seven Springs Mountain Resort. With live entertainment, artisans, food vendors and scenic chairlift rides, it's the perfect way to celebrate the change of season in the highlands.
- Stop and shop at Moo Echo Dairy, an indoor farmers' market-style shop serving up baked goods, homemade ice cream and novelty items that may have been found in your grandma's medicine cabinet.
- This rural history museum preserves the history of life in southwestern Pennsylvania, from the region's first farmers to present day through exhibits, workshops, educational programs and special events. The Somerset Historical Center provides an outstanding experience for groups to explore the history of agriculture and maple industry in an immersive and tasty way!
- From a farm setting to a garden setting, enjoy a special evening of dining at the artistically-detailed Green Gables Restaurant.
- After dinner, entertainment is served at the Mountain Playhouse. Choose your show of choice and enjoy the charm and nostalgia of this theater which is housed in a charming historic gristmill.

## • DAY THREE •

- Named one of American Bus Association's "Top 100 Events in America," Fort Ligonier Days is a three-day festival that commemorates the Battle of Fort Ligonier. Including historic reenactments, a festive community parade, a huge variety of vendors, live music and much more, this is an event perfectly suited for groups to have on own time and enjoy the festivities in the heart of one of America's most charming small towns.
- Take in one last peak of the autumn's bounty with views and a tasty lunch served in a country estate setting at Oak Lodge.







## HANDMADE AND HAND-PICKED GIFTS

'Tis the season for handmade goodies to keep or to share with loved ones near and far! Follow along on this holiday tour highlighting creative stops, sounds of the season, local shoppes, historic venues and towns so charming Rockwell would be inspired.

### • DAY ONE •

- Begin your creative and cheery tour with a visit to the Westmoreland Museum of American Art, where your group will get hands-on with an activity of choice accompanied by a live performance by the Westmoreland Symphony Orchestra.
- Relax and indulge with an afternoon in the quaint town of Ligonier. Featuring more than 60 specialty shoppes and restaurants this walkable stop is perfect for on own time before paying a visit to the Toast to the Trees Festival located in Town Hall!
- Bid, shop and take home inspiration for your own holiday projects at the Toast to the Trees Festival hosted by the Ligonier Valley Historical Society.
- Enjoy dinner and wine tasting and take your own turn at winemaking at one of the newest and most popular wineries in the Laurel Highlands - Bella Terra Vineyards.



• DAY TWO •

- Become the maker at Touchstone Center for Crafts, a renowned facility with deep roots in preserving traditional arts. Today, more modern techniques are celebrated and shared with visitors! Spend your visit enjoying exhibitions, an artisan open house, and the opportunity to get hands-on with a mini workshop of your choice! Don't miss a tasty lunch straight from the wood-fired oven!
- Wrap up your day out in the Laurel Highlands with a chauffeured Art Adventures and Town Tours by JESI Entertainment with stops at Mount Saint Macrina for a tour of this sacred space topped with cookie sampling, shopping at Neubauer's Flowers and Market House, a matinee show at the historic State Theatre Center for the Arts and dinner at Caporella's Italian Ristorante - a local favorite housed in a gorgeous original train station.





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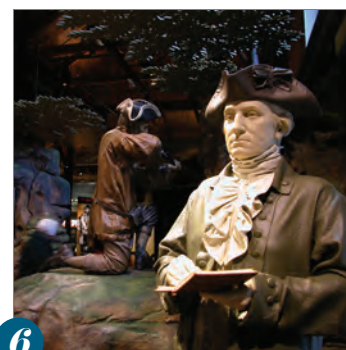
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1 Frank Lloyd Wright's Fallingwater is now a UNESCO World Heritage Site. | 2 Make a stop at the brand new Westmoreland County Visitor Information Center. | 3 After a 100-year hiatus, whiskey will be flowing once again at West Overton Village. | 4 Taste your way around the region as you explore the craft beverage industry on the Laurel Highlands Pour Tour. | 5 Celebrate the legacy of television personality Fred Rogers in his neighborhood. | 6 Travel in the footsteps of young George Washington on a historic journey.